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July 5, 1996

Shaykh Hamad Abdullah M. Al-Thani
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The Honorable Shaykh Hamad:

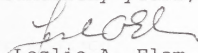
On October 25, 1996, the American Numismatic Society will host a gala Tribute Dinner in honor of Eric. P. Newman, the distinguished American numismatist and member of the Society's governing board. You will recall that Mr. and Mrs. Newman visited with you at the end of 1995; both Eric and Evelyn talk fondly of the time they spent with you and your charming wife and hope to return the courtesy if you are ever in their home city of St. Louis, Missouri.

At the October 25th gala, we would be obliged if you would permit the ANS to recognize you as our **International Honoree**, in respect of your generous contribution establishing the Shaykh Hamad Fellowship in Islamic Numismatics at the ANS. As you may be aware, the first Shaykh Hamad Fellow will be in residence here this fall.

Your favorable reply will be greatly appreciated. We are now making preparations for this black-tie event and look forward to listing your name and achievement on our formal invitation, which will be distributed later this summer. Of course, we would be most pleased to have you join us on this festive occasion. New York is at its best in the early fall.

With best regards from all of us here at the ANS.

Sincerely yours,


Leslie A. Elam
Director

Margo Russell

July 10, 1996

Mr and Mrs John Adams

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4922
1022

July 10, 1996

Dear CC:--

This, I think, will be our last communique before you meet with Les Arlene and Linda for lunch in New York. I've talked with Arlene and Les, and now everyone's on the same track. I love Les' numismatic touches so strongly Eric.

Can you get separate photographs (hopefully 8 by 10's) of Eric's Zerbe plaque, the texts of his Royal Numismatic Society citation and the Huntington award? Then send me both the prints and the negatives and I'll have them blown up poster-size for the wall between the kites and keys. This, I think, will be the wall with a focus.

*1 new
from
me*

I have the last Newman saga picture, and am sending them to Les, to convert into slides. Your's are marked carefully so they will get back to you safely. I asked Les to add two from the ANS archives, one of Linda accepting the Huntington award, and another of Eric teaching the Summer Seminar kids.

It's been a joy. You are so gung-ho!

Margo

3043 County Road 25-A, South
Sidney, Ohio 45365

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You will find pages from The Eagle and The Shield, a 637-page hard-bound volume, produced by the State Department for the Bicentennial in this packet. It is a divine source for Franklin numismatic material--AND ERIC IS QUOTED AS AN AUTHORITY. It was published in connection with the Bicentennial celebration.

One of the most lasting tributes to Eric will be his role in the Bicentennial coinage and medallions. I should think tribute messages from Sen John Warner and George Lang, who chaired the committee, would be in order for his party. (Restaurateur Lang who owns Manhattan's Cafe de Artistes is writing an autobiography for Knopf called Nobody Knows the Truffles I've Seen! HONEST! I think a tribute from Mary Brooks, the Bicentennial Mint director, would be in order, too.

All of this thought-provoking flotsam and jetsam is sent with apology. The creative Evelyn Newman who soars on wings like her beloved butterflies never needed a thought-provoker in her life! Did I tell you I dreamed about butterflies the other night? And you just must have the enclosed scarf! I couldn't resist!

Love,

Margo

P.S. If any of this background has value, can we send it on to Leslie for the party committee chair, Joe Lasser, and Arlene? Of course, my big assignment is to assemble with your help Eric's honors for wall display and pix for the synchronized slide presentation.

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NEW YORK, N.Y. 10032
U.S.A.
Att'n: Mr. Leslie A. ELAM
Director

Doha, July 14, 1996

Dear Mr. Elam,

Thank you for your letter of July 5, 1996.

It would be my privilege to be recognised as the International Honoree of The American Numismatic Society at the October 25th gala Tribute Dinner.

If time permits, I would be pleased to participate in the celebrations on this occasion, but would require more detailed information with regards to the time schedule and venue of this event, so that my programme may be planned accordingly.

Please convey my best regards to Mr. & Mrs. Newman.

Sincerely yours,



Sh. Hamad Bin Abdulla AL-THANI

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July 19, 1996

Mrs. Eric P. Newman
6450 Cecil Avenue
St. Louis, MO 63105

Dear Evelyn,

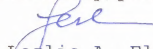
Enclosed is the invitation text as marked by Joe Lasser and me. I have added Shaykh Hamad's full name in case that comes through.

Joe's address is:

Mr. Joseph R. Lasser
Neuberger & Berman
605 Third Avenue
New York, NY 10158

212/476-5840; 476-9097 (fax); 914/472-1554 (home). Joe may not answer the phone but Ruth usually does when I call.

Sincerely yours,


Leslie A. Elam
Director

Evelyn E. Newman Group

Marketing Concepts
40 North Kingshighway
St. Louis, Missouri 63108
314/361-1616

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FROM: Evelyn

FAX NO: _____ PHONE: _____

DATE: July 25, 1996

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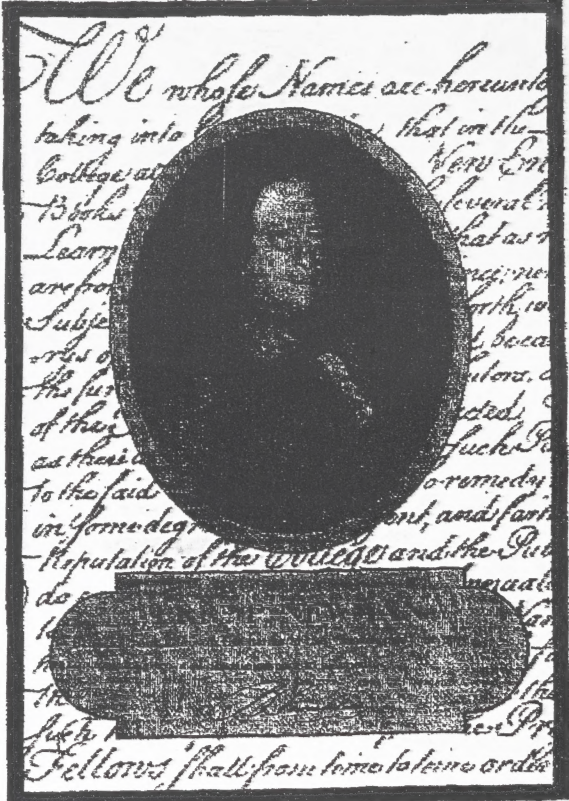
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Mr. Clifford L. Mishler

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Use only this side - a little bigger



Return Card

Dinner in honor of Eric P. Newman.

October 25, 1996

The Explorers Club

46 East 70th Street, New York City

Please reserve _____ places at dinner.

Tickets: \$400 per person -- \$750 per couple*

I am not able to attend, but enclose a contribution of \$225
to underwrite dinner for a Graduate Seminar alumnus. *2*

Please make checks payable to the American Numismatic Society.

*Contributions in excess of \$175 per person are tax-deductible.

Please respond by October 5, 1996.

Name _____

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You will receive a confirmation. For more information telephone
Stephanie Cohen at the American Numismatic Society (212) 234-3130.

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In recognition of distinguished service and support
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and for his extraordinary contributions
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Seven o'clock p.m.

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DRAFT

August 1, 1996

The Honorable Shaykh Hamad,

I write to once more express our deep honor at having you as the International Honoree for the Tribute dinner to Eric Newman.

We do hope that you will be able to be in New York for a few days at that time. The dinner will take place on Friday, October 25th at the very beautiful Explorers Club. The Explorers Club is a very unusual home for its members who enjoy traveling to exotic and unusual geographical locations. Eric, indeed, is a member.

During your stay we would be most honored if you would have dinner with Eric and Evelyn and Arthur Houghton and his wife. I would also like to give you a private tour of the collections at the Society. We would also like to give you a special tour of the new Greek and Roman rooms at the Metropolitan Museum where a few of our coins are on exhibit.

Naturally, I would be pleased to arrange for your stay at one of our fine hotels near the Explorers Club - The Mark or The Carlyle. *or the mayfair*

It would a great honor have you at this very important dinner honoring Eric Newman and to be able to personally prepare a venue that would interest you. A visit to the Delegates Dining Room at the United Nations might also be of interest.

I look forward to developing an itinerary according to your time schedule. Of course we hope that you can stay in the city for four or five days.

Awaiting your response, I am,

Sincerely yours,

Evelyn - This is just a draft. We will honor him at the dinner with a gift & invite him to the Council meeting. The letter will go from Arthur!! love & be changed accordingly

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NUMISMATIC ARTICLES

1941 - 1960

BY

ERIC P. NEWMAN

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The Archer M. Huntington Medal Award

The fifty-eighth award of the Archer M. Huntington Medal, recognizing outstanding achievement in numismatic scholarship, was awarded to Eric P. Newman of St. Louis, Missouri. Mr. Newman is the first American since 1961 to receive the award, and is the only winner to date who specializes in the study of American Colonial and United States coinage. The medal was presented to Mr. Newman's daughter, Linda N. Solomon, at the Society's Annual Meeting on 13 January 1979 at which Theodore V. Buttrey read the following citation prepared by the Huntington Award Committee:

The state of research in the field of American numismatics has a curious feature. While the number of researchers is legion, the percentage of them who can write well, disseminating their findings to a large audience, is extremely small. Eric P. Newman, this year's recipient of the Archer M. Huntington Medal, is a member of this select group, perhaps its outstanding representative.

His publication career, which spans more than three decades, has tended to emphasize two main approaches to the question of American numismatics. The first of these might be called setting the record straight—that is, getting to the bottom of controversial or misunderstood facets of the field and answering the questions surrounding them beyond the reasonable shadow of a doubt. His work on the 1804 dollar falls into this category, as does his well-known *Secret of the Good Samaritan Shilling*. One notes, too, his research into the techniques of modern forgeries of Western gold.

The second thrust of Mr. Newman's research has been the organization and cataloguing of obscure or neglected areas of our numismatic experience. In this capacity, his labors on the Vermont and Connecticut state coinages are important, while his *Early Paper Money of America*, a truly pioneering effort in the field of colonial currency, will most certainly remain the definitive work on this subject.

Mr. Newman is well known to members of the Society. He has served on our governing Council since 1962, rendering distinguished service in this capacity. He currently chairs the Standing Committee on Western Hemisphere Coins, and he

served as senior editor of *Money in Early America*, the Society's publication for the American Bicentennial. In terms of his services to the Society and to the field of numismatics in general, he richly merits the award he is receiving today.

In accepting the award on behalf of Mr. Newman, Mrs. Solomon read the following words written by her father:

Any expression of my delight on learning of the award of the Archer M. Huntington Medal would be an understatement. It is an honor I will always respectfully cherish. I wish I could be present personally to receive it, but, of all places to be at this time, I am in Antarctica—the only continent entirely devoid of numismatic history. My appreciation and thanks to the American Numismatic Society are nevertheless very warm.

Research work in numismatics has been a lifetime of sheer pleasure for me—in simple terms, a satisfaction in trying to solve numismatic puzzles for myself and for others. Being a vigorous collector of numismatic items for 57 years has never been sufficient for me and, thus, research has been my way of filling the gap.

Numismatics as a scientific pursuit has always been a unique challenge for those who study what people from time to time have done to stabilize their economic life. The fact that numismatic studies may cover diversified subject matter, widely separated periods of time, and geographical areas with extensive differences, politically and economically, has not prevented researchers from being able to help each other. Thus, I have been the beneficiary of stimulation and guidance from the writings of and association with those in many other numismatic fields and locations.

I realize I have been substantially influenced by many of the past recipients of the Huntington Medal. The cooperation received from libraries, museums, historical associations, professional numismatists, private collectors and other researchers has been a privilege. I therefore feel that this Award is being shared by everyone who takes part in bringing greater fulfillment to our lives through the cultural pursuit of numismatics.

A complete listing of past recipients of the Archer M. Huntington Medal Award will be found on p. 66.

Mrs F. F. Sandstrom, Providence
Dr E. Savage, London
R. W. Seibert, Little Rock
A. Selkirk, London
R. Sirisena, Colombo
Prof. D. Spencer-Smith, Oxford
M. S. Thomas, London

T. Trosdahl, Oslo
Dr C. Vinciguerra, Florence
Mrs H. K. Wang, London
Dr A. P. C. Weiss, Rhode Island
K. W. Williams, Crowborough
Yongshun Yang, Beijing

The Society's Medal was presented *in absentia* to Mr Eric P. Newman. In presenting the Medal the President said:

The Council of the Society has voted unanimously to award the Society's Medal for 1991 to Eric P. Newman. His work may be little known to numismatists whose interests lie exclusively in the ancient or medieval words, yet he has had a large impact on the discipline, and it is that which we wish to acknowledge.

As has been the case with many of us, Eric Newman's interest in numismatics began when he was a child, with a collection of coins and currency. Unlike most collectors he has carried that interest into the realm of scholarship; unlike many numismatic scholars he has never lost touch with collecting and collectors.

His publications began over forty years ago, with a note on varieties of the American 1787 Fugio cent, and has continued in what seems to be ever-increasing vigour to this day with studies in American colonial and early Federal coins, tokens and paper currency. Just last year there appeared the third, much enlarged edition of his authoritative *The Early Paper Money of America*. Between the Fugio cent and the paper money lie more than sixty contributions to numismatic knowledge.

Two characteristics mark Eric Newman's publications. One is the ability to provide new answers to old and seemingly intractable problems. It was he who unmasked the famous 1804 silver dollar, one of the oldest American numismatic sacred cows, as a fraud; and it was he who unlocked the secret of the Good Samaritan shilling. The device concocted by Benjamin Franklin to foil the counterfeiting of colonial paper money was not understood until Eric Newman showed how it was done. Over and over again his articles have illuminated traditional problems in the early monies of the United States.

The other significant characteristic of his writings is their locus of publication: again and again they have appeared in journals available to the ordinary collector, whose numismatic interest up to then might have been simply the assembling of material. Newman has given that material historical context and meaning, and thereby has immensely enlarged numismatic understanding among collectors in America.

These many and important publications would of themselves justify our award. But there is another side to his contributions to the discipline. Over thirty years ago he organized the Eric P. Newman Numismatic Education Society to assist others in numismatic research and publication. It now operates a museum of coin and currency in St Louis, open to the public, and includes an extensive numismatic library relating primarily to the America Colonies and the United States. But his interest in numismatic education is not limited to his fields of research. For four decades the American Numismatic Society in New York has mounted an annual summer seminar of intensive numismatic training for about a dozen young scholars primarily in

ancient and medieval, Byzantine and Islamic studies. Thanks to this programme there are today several hundred scholars with training in scholarly numismatics, lecturing in their various subjects in the universities of the United States and Canada. Not only has Eric Newman joined in the lecture programme of the seminar; for some years he has provided the funds to make the seminar possible. The whole numismatic community owes him many thanks for that.

Eric Newman's work has been fundamental in raising the tone of American numismatic studies. He has received both major American awards – the Farran Zerbe medal of the American Numismatic Association in 1969, and the Archer M. Huntington medal of the American Numismatic Society in 1979. It is fitting that we of the Royal Numismatic Society acknowledge his contributions to our discipline, so that with our congratulations, and our thanks, we present to him the Society's Medal for 1991.

Accepting the Medal on behalf of Mr Newman, Miss Abigail Solomon read his speech of acceptance.

I most deeply appreciate the award of the 1991 Medal of the Royal Numismatic Society with which you have honoured me today. To be associated with the prior recipients of your Medal, awarded by a Society which the numismatic world holds in such high regard, is the pinnacle of recognition, and I sincerely thank you for the honour.

Numismatic research has enriched my life. It began when I was 12 years old, when Burdette G. Johnson, a well-known American numismatic dealer, refused to sell a coin for 10 cents to a boy who did not know the historical significance of the coin. I borrowed a book from the dealer, returned the next week and, after a proper recitation, was permitted to buy the coin.

That experience taught me the importance of numismatic research and was the turning-point of my numismatic life. Having taken degrees in engineering and in law, I turned to business as my vocation, but numismatic research, publication and collecting became an equally consuming avocation. The unsolved puzzles of American and British-American numismatics required all of my training, and a steady quest for information, gained independently and through others. I have been fortunate to receive guidance from many others over the years, and have enjoyed trying to reciprocate.

A particular topic on which I intend further research is the circulation for many years of counterfeit British halfpence as the primary small change media in North America, both before and after the American Revolution. Owing to the rejection by the British public of uncontrolled lightweight and debased counterfeit copper halfpence of George II and George III, these pieces were privately exported to America, where they were accepted at varying exchange values but never at a halfpenny in money of account. To compound the confusion private American coiners also minted and pre-dated counterfeit British halfpence for American use. The study and classification of all of these counterfeits has been and still is an enormous undertaking. I have been very fortunate in that Charles Wilson Peck, the Royal Numismatic Society Medallist for 1960, gave me his collection of counterfeit British halfpence to encourage my studies in that field.

The Amazing Life of
BENJAMIN FRANKLIN



by JAMES CROSS GIBLIN • *illustrated by* MICHAEL DOOLING



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ERIC P. NEWMAN

Born in Saint Louis on the banks of the Mississippi in the year 1911.

With due respect to his mentor

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